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In re Application of:

John M. Boyd

Serial No. Not yet assigned

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For METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CONDITIONING A POLISHING
PAD

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previous application: Anthony Ojini

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from previous application. 3763

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.